

# INTEGRITY OF CHINA NOT TO BE DISTURBED

Both Japan and Russia Give Formal Assurances to United States Ambassadors.

TO MAINTAIN OPEN-DOOR POLICY

Statements Entirely Satisfactory and Inquiries Regarding New Treaty Probably Will Not Be Pressed Further by Washington.

WASHINGTON, September 14.—Both Japan and Russia have given the United States formal assurances that the new Russo-Japanese treaty does not repeal or affect the treaties of 1907 and 1916, in which those nations pledged themselves to maintain the integrity of China, and the open-door policy.

The assurances were given to Ambassadors Guthrie at Tokyo and Francis at Petrograd, in response to inquiries. The State Department today received from Mr. Guthrie a note on the subject addressed to him by the Japanese Foreign Office stating in unequivocal terms that Japan had not for a moment entertained an intention of doing anything from their policy.

Department officials let it be known that the statements were entirely satisfactory, and that inquiries regarding the new treaty, over which they had been considerably perturbed, probably would not be pressed further.

The Japanese note received through Ambassador Guthrie was made public by the State Department today as follows:

"The Imperial government desires to assure the American government that the new convention is in no sense designed to repeal or modify the provisions of article 2 of the convention concluded between Japan and Russia on July 21, 1907, nor have the Imperial government entertained for a moment any intention to depart from the policy to which they have avowedly committed themselves respecting the maintenance of the independence and territorial integrity of China, as well as the principle of equal opportunity for the trade of all nations in that country. On the contrary, they are as strongly convinced as ever of the usefulness of that policy in the interest of the general peace and stability in the Far East, which they have always very near their hearts."

The result of similar inquiries made for the State Department at Petrograd regarding the effect of the treaty is commented upon by the State Department as follows:

"The Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Imperial Russian government in like manner assured the American ambassador, in response to his inquiry, that his government had not withdrawn from the conventions of 1907 and 1916. He will maintain unimpaired the provisions of these agreements, notwithstanding the fact that no mention of them was made in the convention of 1916."

Will Address R. F. and P. Men. A. B. C. of the State Department of Vital Statistics will address the men of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railway shops today at noon, speaking on "The Transmutation of Infestious Diseases." The meeting will be held under the auspices of the Railroad Y. M. C. A.

Infantile Paralysis at Bristol. BRISTOL, VA., September 14.—Because of the discovery of a case of infantile paralysis in a Bristol suburb today, one of the public schools was closed. Since the child, Margaret Milligan, had not entered school, it was decided to quarantine against the disease to prevent the school to-morrow.

## ANGRY AT BANK'S ACTION

Julian Morris and W. W. Osborne, Indicted at Staunton, Give Their Version of Transaction.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ORANGE, VA., September 14.—Julian Morris and W. W. Osborne, who were indicted, along with George W. Dodge and J. J. Connolly, of New York, in the Corporation Court of Staunton, were in Orange today and gave their version of the action which they supposed was taken by the Staunton National Bank.

They state that they purchased, through a man named Whitmore, a carload of horses, giving Whitmore a draft drawn by George W. Dodge, Inc., on Dodge Brothers, of Los Angeles, Cal., but, by agreement of all parties, the bank, instead of the draft, was not to be paid on presentation in New York. They say the Staunton bank honored the draft on telegraphic advice received by it from New York, but, on presentation, the draft was not paid. They also state that the Staunton bank did not advise them about its dishonoring the draft for two weeks, or until after the drafts were sent to Los Angeles and returned protested from there.

In the meantime, the horses, which might have been stopped in transit, were disposed of by Dodge Brothers in New York and the money converted to their use. Osborne and Morris got none of the proceeds, they say. They declare they regard the action taken in Staunton as an effort to force them to assume a debt which they do not owe.

Mr. Morris went to Staunton voluntarily today and gave bail.

## CULL-LINE LIMITS REMAIN

Left Unharmed by Commission of Fisheries, Fish Hauls

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NEWPORT NEWS, VA., September 14.—Cull-line limits in James River have left unchanged by the Commission of Fisheries, which met here today to hear arguments for and against the proposal. The tongs asserted that the beds have not been sufficiently thinned off to warrant any change in the cull-line. Their contention was substantiated by members of the commission, who this week inspected the beds. There was no petition for a change in the present cull-line limits. The season opens to-morrow morning.

John S. Parsons, Commissioner of Fisheries, stated that deep-water oyster planting in Chesapeake Bay bids fair to become one of the greatest industries of its kind in the country. Hampton planters experiment with deep-water oyster planting last year. As a result, F. W. Dorling today made application of 16,000 acres of deep-water rock for planting oyster oysters. Applications for smaller pieces of deep-water ground also were received.

The commission continues reports to the effect that only 100,000 of the 350,000 bushels of seed oysters tonged last season were taken from the State. Tongs cite this as evidence of their contention that the supply of oysters is not being taken from the State. Maryland and other planting grounds.

## To-Day and To-Night in Richmond

South Richmond Democratic Club, fall meeting, Fraternal Hall, 8 o'clock.

Football—International League, Baltimore vs. Richmond, Broad Street Park, 4 o'clock.

Lyric—Popular vaudeville; matinee, 3 o'clock; 7:30 and 9.

Billion—"Little Peggy O'More," 8:30.

## The Weather

(Furnished by U. S. Weather Bureau.)

Forecast: Virginia—Clearing and cooler; Friday; Saturday fair.

North Carolina—Showers, followed by clearing and cooler; Friday; Saturday fair.

Local Temperature.

12 noon temperature, 82  
3 P. M. temperature, 82  
Maximum temperature, 82  
Minimum temperature, 73  
Normal temperature, 75  
Excess in temperature, 7  
Deficiency in temperature, since March 1, 264  
Accumulated deficiency since January 1, 119

Local Rainfall.

Rainfall last twelve hours, None  
Rainfall last twenty-four hours, .009  
Deficiency in rainfall since March 1, .009  
Excess in rainfall since March 1, .009  
Deficiency in rainfall since January 1, .009

Local Barometer Readings.

8 A. M., 30.07  
3 P. M., 30.05  
Maximum, 30.07  
Minimum, 30.05

Local Observation at 8 P. M. Yesterday.

Temperature, 75; humidity, 95; wind direction, southeast; wind velocity, 5 miles; weather, cloudy.

## CONDITIONS IN IMPORTANT CITIES.

Place. S. P. M. High. Low. Weather.

Ashleyville, 70 76 88 Rain

Atlanta, 72 78 86 Cloudy

Baltimore, 70 76 88 Rain

Birmingham, 70 76 88 Rain

Boston, 70 76 88 Rain

Buffalo, 68 76 86 Cloudy

Charlotte, 70 76 88 Rain

Chicago, 70 76 88 Rain

Cincinnati, 70 76 88 Rain

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## MINIATURE ALMANAC.

September 15, 1916.

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## COMPELLED TO DELIVER WITH KNIFE AT THROAT

Robert Meredith, Colored, Robbed in Broad Daylight, and Two Are Charged With Crime.

Detectives Duffy and Bertucci, with Policemen Kuhn and Griffin, yesterday arrested Jerry and William Johnson, both colored, as the highwaymen who held up Robert Meredith, colored, at Seventeenth and Grace Streets early yesterday afternoon and robbed him of \$5.75 and a pocket knife.

The arrests were made shortly after Meredith reported the hold-up to the First Precinct Station. Meredith left the station, but returned in a few minutes and said that he had seen the men on the street. Detectives Bertucci and Duffy set out with him to locate them. Meredith indicated two negroes standing on a corner, and the detectives approached them.

The negroes saw them, however, and started to run. Duffy managed to get hold of William Johnson, and with Bertucci's help made him a prisoner. Jerry Johnson succeeded in escaping the detectives. He ran down Grace Street, where he was captured by Policemen Griffin and Kuhn. He was taken back to the station house, where Duffy and Bertucci met him.

According to the officers, William Johnson held a knife at Meredith's throat while Jerry Johnson rifled his pockets. A knife stolen from Meredith was retained by William Johnson, who made an unsuccessful effort to get rid of it, after his arrest, by dropping it down his trousers' leg. It is being kept as evidence.

## FIND PARALYSIS CASE

Health Department Officials Remove Nancy Morris, Colored, to Contagious Ward at City Home.

Health Department physicians found another case of infantile paralysis yesterday at 1605 North First Street, where Nancy Morris, colored, nine years old, has been suffering for several days. She first became ill on September 10. She was removed to the isolated section at the City Home, and the house quarantined. Her inmates will be closely watched for two weeks.

The department was unable to trace the source of the infection as the child had not been out of Richmond, and had been out of the home but for a few days. Chief Health Officer Levy yesterday addressed a letter to every physician and surgeon in the city, urging the strictest possible observation of every person under medical treatment.

## MUST STERILIZE GLASSES

Order, Effective To-Day, Requires Soda Fountains to Use Germ-Free Containers.

In compliance with an order issued by Commissioner Benjamin L. Purcell, of the State Dairy and Food Department, proprietors of soda fountains throughout the city and State will today begin either to use sterilization methods for the cleansing of glasses after use or will furnish their customers with individual cups. The individual cups will be destroyed after being used once.

Many Richmond proprietors of fountains, anticipating the enforcement of the order, have had sterilization machines in operation for several days. Others have arranged for supplies of the individual cups. The order is expected to materially reduce infection from communicable diseases spread by the common use of drinking glasses.

## DEATHS IN VIRGINIA

Mrs. Minnie W. Mooney.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WOODSTOCK, VA., September 13.—Mrs. Minnie Mooney, wife of James Mooney, died at her home at Conestoga, Shenandoah County, on Monday. She leaves her husband, one small child, three sisters and one brother.

Mrs. Fannie Sullivan.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) FREDERICKSBURG, VA., September 14.—Mrs. Fannie Sullivan died at her home here today, aged seventeen years. She is survived by her husband, an infant, five brothers, three sisters and her father and mother.

Mrs. Nannie E. Layne.

LYNCHBURG, VA., September 14.—Mrs. Nannie E. Layne, widow of William H. Layne, died on Wednesday evening at the home of her daughter, Mrs. D. T. Williams, in West Lynchburg. She was seventy-seven years old and a native of Appomattox County.

Struck by Street Car.

J. Y. Bass, 901 McDonough Street, was struck by a westbound trolley car at Sixth and Broad Streets last night about 10:10 o'clock. An ambulance surgeon conveyed him to Grace Hospital. At a hospital early this morning, surgeons reported a condition uncertain, and announced that they would be unable to determine the extent of his injuries until a thorough examination was made some time today.

Safety First. Provide for sudden attacks of summer sickness by buying a bottle of SETH ARLOFF'S BALSAM. Warranted by J. F. Bauer—Ad.

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## Tennessee Troops Ordered to Border

In Line With Policy of Giving All Mobilized Guardsmen Tour of Duty.

WASHINGTON, September 14.—The Tennessee National Guard, encamped at Nashville, was ordered to the Mexican border today by the War Department.

Tennessee has mobilized two regiments of infantry, a troop of cavalry, an ambulance company and a field hospital.

Ordering out of the Tennessee troops is in line with the department's policy of giving all of the guardsmen called into the Federal service a tour of duty on the border under war conditions before they are mustered out.

## WILL BEGIN ENTRAINING FOR THE BORDER TO-DAY

NASHVILLE, TENN., September 14.—The Tennessee troops will begin entraining for the border to-morrow morning. Two hospital companies and the separate cavalry leave to-morrow night for El Paso.

Through a change of orders from the War Department, the two regiments of infantry go to Eagle Pass, instead of Fort Clark, entraining on Sunday. The State flag, beginning Monday, is assigned as the reason of their removal. Camp life being located inside the State fair grounds.

## SMALL PERCENTAGE OF SICK AMONG NATIONAL GUARDSMEN

WASHINGTON, September 14.—Reports from the Southern Department for the week ending September 9, received today by the War Department, show the percentage of sick among the National Guardsmen on the border to have been 1.81 with three deaths, one each from appendicitis, dysentery and gastric ulcer. For the preceding week the percentage was 1.92 and nine deaths. Among the regular troops the rate of sick was 2.15 per cent with four deaths against 2.84 and one death for the previous week.

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